IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1 and 19-21.

Please amend claims 2, 4, 12, 13 and 23 to read as follows:

1. (Canceled)

2. (Amended) A valve deactivation system, comprising:

a deactivation rocker arm assembly including an elongate rocker arm, an aperture defined by said rocker arm, a center post slidingly disposed within said aperture, said center post configured for engaging a valve stem of a valve of an internal combustion engine, and a locking pin assembly selectively coupling together and decoupling said center post and said rocker arm; and

a free motion spring assembly.

4. (Amended) The valve deactivation system of claim 2, wherein said end of said rocker arm defines a first pin bore and a second pin bore, said first pin bore and said second pin bore being substantially concentric relative to each other, said center post defining a middle pin bore, said locking pin assembly including an actuating pin, a second pin member and a middle pin member, said actuating pin member slidingly disposed at least partially within said first pin bore, said second pin member slidingly disposed at least partially within said second pin bore, and said middle pin member slidingly disposed

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12. (Amended) A deactivation rocker arm assembly, comprising:
an elongate rocker arm having an end, an aperture defined by said end;
a center post slidingly disposed within said aperture, said center post configured

for engaging a valve stem of a valve of an internal combustion engine; and

a locking pin assembly selectively coupling together and decoupling said center post and said rocker arm.

13. (Amended) The deactivation rocker arm assembly of claim 12, wherein said end of said rocker arm defines a first pin bore and a second pin bore, said first pin bore and said second pin bore being substantially concentric relative to each other, said center post defining a middle pin bore, said locking pin assembly including an actuating pin, a second pin member and a middle pin member, said actuating pin member slidingly disposed at least partially within said first pin bore, said second pin member slidingly disposed at least partially within said second pin bore, and said middle pin member slidingly disposed at least partially within said second pin bore, and said middle pin member slidingly disposed at least partially within said middle pin bore.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Canceled)